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<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>		<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	10/573,754		NAKAZAWA ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b>		<b>Art Unit</b>	
	Paul Masur		2464	

  

**All Participants:**

(1) Paul Masur.

(2) Annora Bell.

**Date of Interview:** 12 January 2010

**Type of Interview:**

☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant    ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes    ☒ No  
 If Yes, provide a brief description: .

**Part I.**

Rejection(s) discussed:

  

Claims discussed:  
48-51, 53-59, 61-68

Prior art documents discussed:

  

**Part II.**

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:  
See Continuation Sheet

**Part III.**

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  

/Paul Masur/  
 Examiner, Art Unit 2464

**Status of Application:** Pending

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed:

On 1/12/2010, the examiner had an interview with the applicant's representative to discuss the case. During this conversation, the examiner presented several issues to the applicant's representative in an attempt to place the case in condition for allowance.

Specifically, the examiner presented issues pertaining to lack of antecedent basis in claims 53, 54, 55, and 61. The applicant's representative agreed to remedy these issues. In addition, the examiner presented limitations in claims 48-51, 53-59, 61, and 68 as being indefinite. These limitations pertained to the error concealment processing and discarding of encoded data packets that were delayed or lost. The examiner noted that the limitations were potentially indefinite as it was not readily clear how the error concealment processing or discarding of encoded packets were initiated. As a means to better define the invention in the claims, and overcome these indefinite matters, the examiner suggested that the applicant incorporate into the claims the matter in fig. 4, steps 4-9, and fig. 5, steps 15-22, for the first embodiment of the invention. For the second embodiment of the invention, the examiner suggested the applicant incorporate into the claims the matter in fig. 8, steps 34-40, and fig. 9, steps 56-64.

Due to scheduling constraints and the examiner's need to take emergency leave, the examiner and applicant's representative were not able to come to a expeditious conclusion of these matters. The examiner sincerely appreciates the representative's patience and understanding through this process. The examiner invites the applicant's representative to contact him in the future, if the client so desires, to discuss these issues and any other issues further.